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AGENDA HEADING:

Approving 28E Agreement for Mutual Assistance for Polk County Area Public Works Governmental Entities.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend Council approval of the 28E Agreement for Mutual Assistance for Polk County Area Public Works Governmental Entities as submitted by the Des Moines Public Works Director to allow for provision of infrastructure services to Public Works entities in the Polk County area during emergency and other unexpected situations. Any Public Works governmental entities (cities and/or counties) in the following counties are eligible to participate:

- Boone County
- Dallas County
- Jasper County
- Madison County
- Marion County
- Marshall County
- Polk County
- Story County
- Warren County

FISCAL IMPACT: NONE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- There has been a longstanding Mutual Aid Agreement among Polk County police, fire/rescue, and emergency medical services and other entities to provide mutual aid in Polk County. The Public Works entities have a desire to include emergency infrastructure services in a similar framework to assist each other in time of need. The Public Works entities have equipment and personnel to offer normal infrastructure services within their respective jurisdiction. When situations arise during emergencies or circumstances which exhaust available personnel, equipment, or facilities, or require additional or specialty personnel, equipment or facilities that the responsible jurisdiction may not have available, it is desirable for the entities to render needed emergency infrastructure services on a reciprocal basis.

- The agreement allows for billing for incidents with a duration exceeding 12 hours, those more likely to be classified as eligible for federal reimbursements as part of disaster declarations. The compensation provision includes:
 - Emergency services are billed if an incident lasts more than 12 consecutive hours. It is believed that 12 hours is a reasonable division between traditional mutual aid and incidents more likely to be classified as eligible for federal reimbursement as part of a disaster declaration.
 - If the incident meets the 12 hour threshold, any assistance provided is billable, including assistance prior to the 12 hour mark.
 - Includes backfill personnel.
 - Includes equipment and facilities.
 - Includes supplies.

- This mutual aid agreement would be available to all Public Works entities in Polk County and/or the adjoining counties of Boone, Dallas, Jasper, Madison, Marion, Marshall, Story, and Warren.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

Renewal of agreement in 2027 if determined to be beneficial.

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